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- (1) Interfere significantly with the management of the lands under principles of multiple use and sustained
- (2) Impair or prevent, to an appreciable extent, realization of public values in the lands, or
- (3) Impair or prevent, to an appreciable extent, realization of the objectives of retention and management set forth in part 2420, or
- (4) Lead to unnecessary expenditures of public or private funds arising out of individual efforts to acquire public lands under laws, which are in fact not applicable, because of the nature of the resources of the lands.
- (b) In applying the criteria in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, land shall not be closed to mining location unless the nonmineral uses would be inconsistent with and of greater importance to the public interest than the continued search for a deposit of valuable minerals.

§2440.4 Specific criteria for segregative effect of classification for dis-

Public lands classified or proposed to be classified for disposal will be segregated from those forms of disposal which, if the lands remained open thereto, could interfere with the orderly disposal of the lands pursuant to appropriate law. Public lands classified or proposed to be classified for sale under the Public Land Sale Act (78 Stat. 988, 43 U.S.C. 1411-18) will be segregated from all forms of disposal under the mining and mineral leasing laws

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Subpart 2450—Petition-**Application Procedures**

§ 2450.1 Filing of petition.

(a) When (1) land must be classified or designated pursuant to the authorities cited in §2400.0-3 before an application may be approved and (2) the filing of applications is permitted prior to classification, the application together with a petition for classification on a form approved by the Director (hereinafter referred to collectively as a petition-application) must be filed in accordance with the provisions of §1821.2 of this chapter. Lists indicating the proper office for filing of applications may be obtained from the Director or any other officer of the Bureau of Land Management. Copies of the petition for classification form and the application forms may be obtained from the proper offices or from the Bureau of Land Management, Washington, DC 20240.

§2450.2 Preliminary determination.

Upon the filing of a petition-application, the authorized officer shall make a preliminary determination as to whether it is regular upon its face and, where there is no apparent defect, shall proceed to investigate and classify the land for which it has been filed. No further consideration will be given to the merits of an application or the qualifications of an applicant unless or until the land has been classified for the purpose for which the petition-application has been filed.

§2450.3 Proposed classification decision.

(a) The State Director shall make and issue a proposed classification decision which shall contain a statement of reasons in support thereof. Such decisions shall be served upon (1) each petitioner-applicant for the land, (2) any grazing permittee, licensee, or lessee on the land, or his representative, (3) the District Advisory Board, (4) the local governing board, planning commission, State coordinating committee, or other official or quasi-official body having jurisdiction over zoning in the geographic area within